

**In the claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1- 84. (Canceled)

85. (New) A method of cosmetic care for obtaining a slimming effect on the human body, comprising the topical delivery on the part or parts of the body presenting subcutaneous fat and in need of said slimming effect of a composition comprising a slimming effective amount of at least one phytosphingosine compound selected from the group consisting of phytosphingosine, its cosmetically acceptable salts and mixtures thereof, in a concentration of between 0.001% and 1%, by weight with respect to the total weight of said composition; in association with at least one cosmetically acceptable lipolytic agent selected from the group consisting of forskolin and a plant extract containing said forskolin, in a concentration between 0.001% and 1% by weight with respect to the total weight of said composition.

86. (New) The method according to claim 85, wherein said plant extract containing forskolin is an extract of *Coleus forskohlii*.

87. (New) The method according to claim 85, wherein said method is intended for reducing subcutaneous excess fat.

88. (New) The method according to claim 85, wherein said phytosphingosine compound is phytosphingosine hydrochloride.

89. (New) The method according to claim 85, wherein the phytosphingosine compound is present in the composition in an efficient amount for stimulating the synthesis of leptin by adipocytes.

90. (new) The method according to claim 85, wherein the phytosphingosine compound is present in the composition at a concentration of about 0.05% by weight with respect to the total weight of said composition; and forskolin is present as an extract of *Coleus forskohlii* at a concentration of about 0.1% by weight with respect to the total weight of said composition.